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<i>Cultural</i>				
Included in Management Common to All.	Action: Continue to promote research, education, and interpretation. Develop an activity plan by 2005.	Action: Promote research, education, and interpretation.	Action: Same as Balanced Use	Action: Promote research, education, and interpretation.
Already being done. Not necessary for alternatives.	Action: Use the John Jarvie Historical site as a base station for BLM administration of the property and adjacent lands within the Browns Park area.	Action: Do not use the John Jarvie Historical site as a base station for BLM administration of the property and adjacent lands within the Browns Park area	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop a tread lightly@ information and education plan.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified
Covered under Special Designation Areas.	Action: Develop a general cultural resource management plan for the resource area. As additional site specific discoveries are made develop subsequent activity plans.	Action: Do not develop a general cultural resource management plan for the resource area. As additional site specific discoveries are made develop subsequent activity plans.		
Covered under Special Designation Areas.	Action: Develop specific cultural resource management plans for: Browns Park			

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	Complex, Red Mountain-Dry Fork Complex, and the Nine Mile Canyon ACECs (prepare jointly with Moab District).			
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Manage designated areas for the protection of sensitive cultural resources.	Action: Same as Alternative A.	Action: Same as Alternative A.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop interpretive facilities as outlined in the activity plan at appropriate archeological and cultural sites at Nine Mile Canyon in cooperation with the Price Field Office and the Nine Mile coalition team.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Do not develop interpretive facilities at appropriate archeological and cultural sites at Nine Mile Canyon in cooperation with the Price Field Office and the Nine Mile coalition team.	
Addressed by following language in Management Common to All: Manage for Class II within 1/4-mile radius from cabins (Chipeta, Rat Hole, South Camp, and Trujillo).	Action: Manage for Class II within 1/8-mile radius from cabins (Chipeta, Rat Hole, South Camp, and Trujillo).	Action: Same as Current Management.	Action: Manage for Class II within 2-mile radius from cabins (Chipeta, Rat Hole, South Camp, and Trujillo).	Action: Manage for Class IV.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Continue to implement the 1979 Green River Management Plan for Desolation and Gray Canyons to protect the	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Implement the 1979 Desolation and Gray Canyons of the Green River Management Plan to protect the Desolation

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	Desolation Canyon National Historic Landmark within VFO.			Canyon National Historic Landmark within VFO.
<i>All Resources</i>				
Rangeland Health				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Maintain existing active permitted use at 137,897 AUMs and provide 104,930 AUMs for wildlife as long as monitoring does not indicate deterioration in rangeland and resource conditions and other resource objectives continue to be met. Note: 104,930 includes 8,323 AUMs being allocated from AUMs held by RMEF and TNC.			
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Any adjustment in forage assignments to either livestock or wildlife would be based on analysis of monitoring data.			

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Recreation				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Maintain Goblin City trail.	Action: Do not maintain Goblin City trail.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Will be developed under site-specific management plans.	Action: Develop recreation management plans to include use levels for casual and commercial users.	Action: Do not develop a management plan with use levels based on supply and demand.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Identify a Special Recreation Management Area for the Upper Green River Corridor.	Action: Do not identify a Special Recreation Management Area for the Upper Green River Corridor.	Action: Identify a Special Recreation Management Area for the Upper Green River Corridor.	
Put in Management Common to All.	Action: Do not designate 74 acres in Fantasy Canyon as an ACEC.	Action: Do not designate 74 acres in Fantasy Canyon as an ACEC.	Action: Designate 74 acres in Fantasy Canyon as an ACEC.	
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop recreation management plans for Book Cliffs, Blue Mountain, Fantasy Canyon, and Pelican Lake. Develop management plans for Book Cliff Cabins.			

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Lands and Realty				
Not needed given semi-primitive non-motorized proposal.	Action: Pursue acquisition of private land associated with Gilsonite veins located within the White River wilderness reinventory unit.	Action: Do not pursue acquisition of private lands.		
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Acquisitions, exchanges, easements, or disposals would be considered on a case-by-case basis, between willing buyers and sellers.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified
Moved to Management Common to All.	Consider new major communication sites on Goslin Mountain and Little Mountain.			
Forage				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Maintain existing livestock grazing preference at _____AUMs as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration in resource conditions, land exchange agreements to meet essential public or municipal purposes are not necessary, and other	Action: Maintain existing livestock grazing preference at _____AUMs as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration in resource conditions, land exchange agreements to meet essential public or municipal purposes are not necessary, and other	Action: Maintain existing livestock grazing preference at _____AUMs as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration in resource conditions, land exchange agreements to meet essential public or municipal purposes are not necessary, and other	Action: Maintain existing livestock grazing preference at _____AUMs as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration in resource conditions, land exchange agreements to meet essential public or municipal purposes are not necessary, and other

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	resource objectives continue to be met.	resource objectives continue to be met.	resource objectives continue to be met.	resource objectives continue to be met.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Redevelop P R Springs to provide culinary water meeting State water quality standards.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Vegetative treatments for sagebrush would follow current sage grouse guidelines.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Maintain existing livestock preference of 50,299 AUMs and provide a maximum of 40,000 AUMs for wildlife forage as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration of resource conditions and other resource objectives continue to be met. Increase in wildlife AUMs will be realized through rangeland improvements and land acquisitions.	Action: Maintain existing livestock preference of 50,299 AUMs and provide a maximum of 40,000 AUMs for wildlife forage as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration of resource conditions and other resource objectives continue to be met. Increase in wildlife AUMs will be realized through rangeland improvements and land acquisitions.	Action: Maintain existing livestock preference of 50,299 AUMs and provide a maximum of 40,000 AUMs for wildlife forage as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration of resource conditions and other resource objectives continue to be met. Increase in wildlife AUMs will be realized through rangeland improvements and land acquisitions.	Action: Maintain existing livestock preference of 50,299 AUMs and provide a maximum of 40,000 AUMs for wildlife forage as long as monitoring does not indicate a deterioration of resource conditions and other resource objectives continue to be met. Increase in wildlife AUMs will be realized through rangeland improvements and land acquisitions.

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Water Resources				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop additional and maintain existing water rights on appropriate BLM lands.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Collaborate with the DWR to pursue additional in stream water rights, i.e., Bitter Creek, Sweetwater, Rat Hole.	Action: Unspecified.
BLM cannot hold in-stream water rights.	Action: All water dedicated to in stream flows until proper functioning condition is achieved; then additional water would be available for other uses.	Action: Dedicate minimum in stream flow necessary for proper functioning condition and make water available for other uses.	Action: All water dedicated to in stream flows.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop management plans and grazing agreements for livestock allotments to allow flexibility in grazing management, which may include expansion, reduction and/or consolidation of grazing allotments and pastures (see map).	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Develop management plans and grazing agreements for livestock allotments to allow flexibility in grazing management, which may include expansion , elimination, reduction and/or consolidation of grazing allotments and pastures (see map).	Action: Grazing systems would be designed to benefit key plants for livestock, wildlife, watershed, etc. Existing AMPs would be revised to be consistent with improved management. New AMPs would be developed on most of the "I" allotments.
Soils and Water				
Moved to Management Common to All for Riparian.	Action: Fence, where feasible, all springs.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Fence all springs.	Action: Unspecified.

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Wetlands protected by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.	Action: Allow no surface-disturbing activities in the Bitter Creek natural wetland (see map).	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Vegetation				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Control noxious weeds, insects, and/or undesirable species by hand, fire, mechanical, biological, or chemical means.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Control noxious weeds, insects and/or undesirable species by hand, fire, or biological means. Power washing would be required for permitted uses. VFO weed-management policy.	Action: Unspecified.
Special Status Species				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Continue species and habitat inventory efforts for Mexican Spotted Owl and Southwestern Willow Flycatcher, and Mountain Plover.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Rangeland Health				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: By 2010, complete inventories and map	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.

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	current occupied and potential habitats for special status plant species.			
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop habitat management plans or conservation strategies for listed, proposed, and candidate species (see Appendix for current plant and animal list).	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Addressed in Special Designations and ACEC prescriptions.	Action: Beginning in 2008, initiate planning to consider ACEC designation in Kings Canyon, Big Pack Mountain, Hells Hole Canyon, and Park Canyon - Evacuation Creek, which would encompass occupied and potential habitat.	Action: Do not initiate ACEC planning.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Wildlife				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Do not issue any bear-baiting permits.	Action: Issue bear-baiting permits.	Action: Do not issue bear-baiting permits.	Action: Issue bear-baiting permits.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop antelope and upland game guzzlers.	Action: Same as Alternative A.	Action: Same as Alternative A.	Action: Develop 3 antelope guzzlers.

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Moved to Management Common to All and reworded: All surface-disturbing activities will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.	Action: Allow no surface-disturbing activities within 1/4 mile of existing guzzlers unless impacts can be fully mitigated.	Action: Allow surface-disturbing activities within 1/4 mile of existing guzzlers.	Action: Allow no surface-disturbing activities within 1/4 mile of new and existing guzzlers unless impacts can be fully mitigated.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Provide habitat and allow reintroduction of wild turkeys.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Suitable habitat exists for wild turkeys.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Allow no surface-disturbing activities on crucial elk calving and deer fawning habitat from May 15 to June 30.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: For minerals only, protect crucial elk calving and deer fawning habitat, exploration, drilling, and other development activity will be allowed only during the period from June 30 to May 15.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Require a habitat mitigation plan prior to development of tar sand resources and within the Hill Creek and P R Springs special tar sands areas.	Action: Same as Current Management.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Require a habitat mitigation plan prior to development of tar sand resources within portions of P R Springs special tar sands area.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Construct a new off-stream fishing pond above the cabin in	Action: Provide water from Bitter Creek for Standpipe Reservoir.	Action: Construct new fishing ponds, off stream or in stream, in: Above Rat	Action: Unspecified.

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	Chipeta Canyon and provide water from Bitter Creek for Standpipe Reservoir.	Reservoir.	Hole Cabin (2), Brewer Rock (3), Chipeta Canyon (2), Railroad Canyon (3), above mouth of Rat Hole Canyon (1), Fatty Canyon (1), Tent Canyon (2) and provide water from Bitter Creek for Standpipe Reservoir.	
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Allow no new surface-disturbing activities on crucial deer winter range from November 15 to April 15 (see map).	Action: Same as Balanced Use, except tie to Karpowitz area. Basically same as Current Management with different dates.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: For minerals only, no new surface-disturbing activities on McCook Ridge from October 1 to June 1.
Move to MCA.	Action: Implement Conservation Agreement and Strategy for Colorado River cutthroat trout in the State of Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming signed April 2001.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: In partnership with the USFWS, DWR and the counties develop habitat management plans or conservation strategies for BLM Sensitive species	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Continue inventories and	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.

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	map current occupied and potential habitats for special status plant and animal species.			
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Where practical and when it doesn't impact other species, surface-disturbing actions within crucial deer winter range would be located in pinyon juniper vs. browse where both sites occur.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Woodlands				
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop a woodland management plan.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Develop a timber management plan.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Woodland management plans will be prepared outlining specific actions to be implemented to achieve objectives.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: In accessible areas allow public utilization before vegetative treatments for woodland and forest species including pinyon juniper, douglas fir, and aspen.	Action: Encourage public utilization to achieve desired vegetative treatments for woodland and forest species including pinyon juniper, douglas fir, and aspen.	Action: Allow public utilization in accessible areas to achieve desired vegetative treatments for woodland and forest species including pinyon juniper. Target (1) Winter	Action: Public utilization of woodlands will be encouraged in preference to prescribed burns to improve forage for livestock or wildlife. 2,000 acres of pinyon juniper will

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		Target (1) Winter range: 8,000 acres of pinyon juniper; (2) Summer range: 15,000 acres of pinyon juniper and 8,000 acres of douglas fir/aspen.	range: 8,000 acres; (2) Summer range: 15,000 acres.	be chained or clear cut to improve deer and elk forage in crucial winter habitats.
This is an administrative function.	Action: Allow for woodland products to be harvested in accessible burned areas.	Action: Harvest woodland products in burned areas.	Action: Same as Balanced Use.	Action: Unspecified.
Moved to Management Common to All.	Action: Allow for the harvest/collection of common native seed, Christmas trees, juniper fence posts, and pinyon pinenuts, live trees, and non-barrel cacti.	Action: Same as Alternative A	Action: Same as Alternative A	Action: Book Cliffs-Unspecified Diamond Mountain: Based on public demand, 621,900 acres within level 3 and 4 lands are open for the harvest/collection of common native seed, Christmas trees, juniper fence posts, and pinyon pinenuts, live trees, and non-barrel cacti.

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